Reply of Government.—The matter many be represented to the Deputy Commissioner. This is no a matter to be settled here.

SUBJECT No. 336.

Reduction of grazing-fees in State Forests.

Mr. M. Subba Rao, Heggaddevankote Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—In State Forests a grazing-fee of eight annas and four annas has been fixed per head of buffalo and cattle, respectively. As the raiyats of this place are poor, it is prayed that the fees may be reduced by one-half.

Reply of Government.—Reduction is not possible.

SUBJECT No. 337.

Cessation of molestation by Forest Department.

Mr. M. Subba Rao, Heggaddevankote Taluk.

Summary of discussion.—In villages, though raiyats have built their houses years ago, the Forest authorities threaten them with legal proceedings. It is prayed that orders may be passed putting a stop to such molestations.

Reply of Government.—Individual cases may be complained against.

SUBJECT No. 338.

Lighting Mysore City with electric lights.

Mr. M. Madappa, Municipal Member, City Municipality, Mysore.

Summary of discussion.—The capital town of Mysore may be lighted with electricity.

Reply of Government.—*Withdrawn.*

SUBJECT No. 339.

Encouragement to industries

Mr. M. Anantarajaiya, City Municipality, Mysore.

Summary of discussion.—Industries may be encouraged in the capital city by the supply of electric power.

Reply of Government.—*Withdrawn.*

SUBJECT No. 340.

Loans to weavers at Melkote

Mr. M. Varahaswami Iyengar, Sri Yadugiri Sadanandavardhini Sabha, Mekote.

Summary of discussion.—Melkote is, as it were, the birth-place of the weavers in the Province. A few years ago there were more than 400 families of weavers and 1,000 looms were working. Owing to plague, etc., the number of families has been reduced to 200 and the looms to 400. Most of these men have become exceedingly poor, many of them have given up their profession for want of capital and have now begun to start as coolies and beggars, and besides, some have finally left the place to eke out their livelihood in one way or other. The members of this Sabha and the Managing Committee of the Industrial School have advised them not to go out of this place by putting them into new works of industry, etc. Pray that the Government may choose to advance capital to the poor weavers on the security of some of the Sabha Committee members and leading men of the weavers and recover the amount as these weavers prosper. In course of time it will be easy to train them in accordance with the Rules and Regulations of the Co-operative Societies recently passed. Therefore it is requested that Government will consider fully the importance of the weaving industry and encourage the same by lending Rs. 10,000 on security and charging interest thereon.

Reply of Government.—The matter may be represented to the Deputy Commissioner.